

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 89, Page
2 5, Section 96.229, Line 125, by inserting after all of said Section and Line the following:

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4 "191.630. As used in sections 191.630 and 191.631, the following terms mean:

5 (1) ["Care provider", a person who is employed as an emergency medical care provider,
6 firefighter, or police officer;

7 (2) Contagious or infectious disease", hepatitis in any form and any other communicable
8 disease as defined in section 192.800, except AIDS or HIV infection as defined in section 191.650,
9 determined to be life-threatening to a person exposed to the disease as established by rules adopted
10 by the department, in accordance with guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
11 of the Department of Health and Human Services] "Communicable disease", acquired
12 immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS), cutaneous anthrax, hepatitis in any form, human
13 immunodeficiency virus (HIV), measles, meningococcal disease, mumps, pertussis, pneumonic
14 plague, rubella, severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS-CoV), smallpox, tuberculosis, varicella
15 disease, vaccinia, viral hemorrhagic fevers, and other such diseases as the department may define by
16 rule or regulation;

17 (2) "Communicable disease tests", tests designed for detection of communicable diseases.
18 Rapid testing of the source patient in line with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration
19 (OSHA) enforcement of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines will be
20 recommended;

21 (3) "Coroner or medical examiner", the same meaning as defined in chapter 58;

22 [(3)] (4) "Department", the Missouri department of health and senior services;

23 [(4)] (5) "Designated infection control officer", the person or persons within the entity or
24 agency who are responsible for managing the infection control program and for coordinating efforts
25 surrounding the investigation of an exposure such as:

26 (a) Collecting, upon request, facts surrounding possible exposure of an emergency care
27 provider or Good Samaritan to a communicable disease;

28 (b) Contacting facilities that receive patients or clients of potentially exposed emergency care
29 providers or Good Samaritans to ascertain if a determination has been made as to whether the patient
30 or client has had a communicable disease and to ascertain the results of that determination; and

31 (c) Notifying the emergency care provider or Good Samaritan as to whether there is reason
32 for concern regarding possible exposure;

33 (6) "Emergency [medical] care provider", a person who is serving as a licensed or certified
34 person trained to provide emergency and nonemergency medical care as a first responder, emergency
35 responder, EMT-B, EMT-I, or EMT-P as defined in section 190.100, firefighter, law enforcement
36 officer, sheriff, deputy sheriff, registered nurse, physician, medical helicopter pilot, or other
37 certification or licensure levels adopted by rule of the department;

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1 [(5)] (7) "Exposure", a specific eye, mouth, other mucous membrane, nonintact skin, or
 2 parenteral contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials that results from the
 3 performance of an employee's duties;

4 [(6) "HIV", the same meaning as defined in section 191.650;

5 (7)] (8) "Good Samaritan", any person who renders emergency medical assistance or aid
 6 within his or her level of training or skill until such time as he or she is relieved of those duties by an
 7 emergency care provider;

8 (9) "Hospital", the same meaning as defined in section 197.020;

9 (10) "Source patient", person who is sick or injured and requiring the care or services of a
 10 Good Samaritan or emergency care provider, for whose blood or other potentially infectious
 11 materials have resulted in exposure.

12 191.631. 1. (1) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, if [a] an emergency care
 13 provider or a Good Samaritan sustains an exposure from a person while rendering emergency health
 14 care services, the person to whom the emergency care provider or Good Samaritan was exposed is
 15 deemed to consent to a test to determine if the person has a [contagious or infectious] communicable
 16 disease and is deemed to consent to notification of the emergency care provider or the Good
 17 Samaritan of the results of the test, upon submission of an exposure report by the emergency care
 18 provider or the Good Samaritan to the hospital where the person is delivered by the emergency care
 19 provider.

20 (2) The hospital where the [person] source patient is delivered shall conduct the test. The
 21 sample and test results shall only be identified by a number and shall not otherwise identify the
 22 person tested.

23 (3) A hospital shall have written policies and procedures for notification of [a] an emergency
 24 care provider or Good Samaritan pursuant to this section. The hospital shall include local
 25 representation of designated infection control officers during the process to develop or review such
 26 policies. The policies shall be substantially the same as those in place for notification of hospital
 27 employees. The policies and procedures shall include designation of a representative of the
 28 emergency care provider to whom notification shall be provided and who shall, in turn, notify the
 29 emergency care provider. The identity of the designated [representative] local infection control
 30 officer of the emergency care provider shall not be disclosed to the [person] source patient tested.
 31 The designated [representative] local infection control officer shall inform the hospital of those
 32 parties who receive the notification, and following receipt of such information and upon request of
 33 the person tested, the hospital shall inform the person of the parties to whom notification was
 34 provided.

35 (4) A coroner and medical examiner shall have written policies and procedures for
 36 notification of an emergency care provider and Good Samaritan pursuant to this section. The
 37 coroner or medical examiner shall include local representation of a designated infection control
 38 officer during the process to develop or review such policies. The policies shall be substantially the
 39 same as those in place for notification of coroner or medical examiner employees. The policies and
 40 procedures shall include designation of a representative of the emergency care providers to whom
 41 notification shall be provided and who shall, in turn, notify the emergency care provider. The
 42 identity of the designated local infection control officer of the emergency care provider shall not be
 43 disclosed to the source patient tested. The designated local infection control officer shall inform the
 44 coroner or medical examiner of those parties who receive the notification, and following receipt of
 45 such information and upon request of the person tested, the coroner or medical examiner shall
 46 inform the person of the parties to whom notification was provided.

47 2. If a person tested is diagnosed or confirmed as having a [contagious or infectious]
 48 communicable disease pursuant to this section, the hospital, coroner, or medical examiner shall

1 notify the emergency care provider, Good Samaritan, or the designated [representative] local
 2 infection control officer of the emergency care provider who shall then notify the care provider.

3 3. The notification to the emergency care provider or the Good Samaritan shall advise the
 4 emergency care provider or the Good Samaritan of possible exposure to a particular [contagious or
 5 infectious] communicable disease and recommend that the emergency care provider or Good
 6 Samaritan seek medical attention. The notification shall be provided as soon as is reasonably
 7 possible following determination that the individual has a [contagious or infectious] communicable
 8 disease. The notification shall not include the name of the person tested for the [contagious or
 9 infectious] communicable disease unless the person consents. If the emergency care provider or
 10 Good Samaritan who sustained an exposure determines the identity of the person diagnosed or
 11 confirmed as having a [contagious or infectious] communicable disease, the identity of the person
 12 shall be confidential information and shall not be disclosed by the emergency care provider or the
 13 Good Samaritan to any other individual unless a specific written release is obtained by the person
 14 diagnosed with or confirmed as having a [contagious or infectious] communicable disease.

15 4. This section does not require or permit, unless otherwise provided, a hospital to
 16 administer a test for the express purpose of determining the presence of a [contagious or infectious]
 17 communicable disease; except that testing may be performed if the person consents and if the
 18 requirements of this section are satisfied.

19 5. This section does not preclude a hospital, coroner, or medical examiner from providing
 20 notification to [a] an emergency care provider or Good Samaritan under circumstances in which the
 21 hospital's, coroner's, or medical examiner's policy provides for notification of the hospital's,
 22 coroner's, or medical examiner's own employees of exposure to a [contagious or infectious]
 23 communicable disease that is not life-threatening if the notice does not reveal a patient's name, unless
 24 the patient consents.

25 6. A hospital, coroner, or medical examiner participating in good faith in complying with the
 26 provisions of this section is immune from any liability, civil or criminal, which may otherwise be
 27 incurred or imposed.

28 7. A hospital's duty of notification pursuant to this section is not continuing but is limited to
 29 diagnosis of a [contagious or infectious] communicable disease made in the course of admission,
 30 care, and treatment following the rendering of health care services to which notification pursuant to
 31 this section applies.

32 8. A hospital, coroner, or medical examiner that performs a test in compliance with this
 33 section or that fails to perform a test authorized pursuant to this section is immune from any liability,
 34 civil or criminal, which may otherwise be incurred or imposed.

35 9. [A hospital has no duty to perform the test authorized.]

36 10.] The department shall adopt rules to implement this section. The department may
 37 determine by rule the [contagious or infectious] communicable diseases for which testing is
 38 reasonable and appropriate and which may be administered pursuant to this section. No rule or
 39 portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has
 40 been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536.

41 [11.] 10. The [employer of a] agency which employs or sponsors the emergency care
 42 provider who sustained an exposure pursuant to this section shall pay the costs of testing for the
 43 person who is the source of the exposure and of the testing of the emergency care provider if the
 44 exposure was sustained during the course of [employment] the provider's expected duties.

45 11. All emergency care providers shall respond to and treat any patient regardless of the
 46 status of the patient's HIV or other communicable disease infection.

47 12. Ambulance services and emergency medical response agencies licensed under chapter
 48 190 shall establish and maintain local policies and provide training regarding exposure of personnel

1 to patient blood and body fluids as well as general protection from communicable diseases. The
2 training provided and the policies established shall be in substantial compliance with the appropriate
3 CDC and OSHA guidelines.

4 13. Hospitals, nursing homes, and other medical facilities and practitioners who transfer
5 patients known to have a communicable disease or to be subject to an order of quarantine or an order
6 of isolation shall notify the emergency care providers who are providing the transportation services
7 of the potential risk of exposure to a communicable disease, including communicable diseases of a
8 public health threat.

9 14. The department shall promulgate regulations regarding all of the following:

10 (a) The type of exposure that would prompt notification of the emergency care provider or
11 Good Samaritan, which shall cover, at a minimum, methods of potential transmission of any diseases
12 designated under P.L. 101-381 or diseases additionally identified from the department's list of
13 communicable diseases;

14 (b) The process to be used by the emergency care provider, Good Samaritan, licensed facility,
15 coroner, medical examiner, and designated infection control officer for the reports required by this
16 section, the process to be used to evaluate requests received from emergency care providers and
17 Good Samaritans, and for informing emergency care providers and Good Samaritans as to their
18 obligations to maintain the confidentiality of information received; and

19 (c) The method by which emergency care providers and Good Samaritans shall be provided
20 information and advice in a timely manner related to the risk of infection from communicable
21 diseases as a result of aid or medical care."; and
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23 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
24 accordingly.
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